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## NEW TOWN TO GO IN AT MIAMI CANAL

### Tract of 60,000 Acres To Be Served By New Railroad

J. B. JEFFRIES IS GENERAL MANAGER

### Development Located In Palm Beach Drainage District

The confidence of big business in Florida's future is manifest in the announcement that a group of New York financiers has purchased extensive acreage south of Lake Okeechobee to be developed and sold in ten and twenty acre farm units.

The organization of Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc., was completed last week. It was among the first companies chartered under Florida's revised corporation laws, having been granted letters patent in July.

The company is capitalized at \$2,000,000, all of which is paid in, and every acre of the 60,000-acre tract has been paid for in full. No encumbrances of any character exist against the property, and every acre will be guaranteed and the title to every tract will be insured.

Probably no company ever was organized in Florida with a more influential personnel than Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc. Every stockholder and director is a man of independent fortune and not a few are commanding figures in professional, industrial, and financial circles.

The president is Leonard Kennedy, of New York. For many years Mr. Kennedy was engaged in the construction, purchase and control of large public utility plants and railroads. More recently he had been given much prominence as the controlling factor of the Curtiss Aeroplane Company.

James B. Jeffries, of Miami, is the vice president and general manager of Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc. Not only is Mr. Jeffries a large owner of Florida properties, being a heavy investor in the class of holdings which he advises others to buy, but he has gained wide fame for his successful real estate and campaign campaigns. Miami probably is the most active and complex real estate market in the world, and to gain the position of prominence which Mr. Jeffries holds in this field, is no mean distinction. He was one of the organizers of the Miami Shores Corporation, and is among its heaviest stockholders, besides being secretary and treasurer of the company, and sales manager. More than \$2,000,000 worth of property was sold the first day, and from that time the sales offices were crowded with eager purchasers. In less than a year Miami Shores was eighty per cent sold.

To accomplish in less than twelve months a task that had been regarded by seasoned and experienced operators in Miami territory as a five year undertaking, not only was an achievement beyond their expectations, but it shattered all records, and it was agreed that the phenomenal part of its success was due to the exceptional ability and tireless energy of the sales manager. In less than twelve months Miami Shores was sold out. More than \$85,000,000 worth of property was exchanged in sales and rentals, with no loss of time, and which seemed ridiculously small in comparison to the volume of business handled.

Mr. Jeffries was born and reared on the black lands of western Iowa, and came to Florida sixteen years ago. Coming from one of the richest farming sections of the United States, he naturally was attracted to the

rich muck district of Florida. He has been in the real estate business for fifteen years, most of the time dealing in muck land. For the last ten years he has been one of the largest owners and most active developers of the rich territory of the upper Everglades.

Mr. Jeffries' most urgent ambition has been to make this vast area of super-fertile soil not only accessible to the farmer, but to insure his success by establishing proper drainage methods and by providing transportation lines thereto. It has been due largely to his efforts that the farmer of this district now has the advantages of railroads, hard-surfaced highways, and efficient drainage, and also, that it is possible to have attracted such noted financiers as those who have become associated with him in this worthy enterprise.

Frederick F. Carey, of New York, is the secretary and treasurer of Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc. Mr. Carey is a member of H. T. Carey & Co., one of the oldest brokerage firms in New York. Their seat on the New York Stock Exchange was among the first to be appraised at upwards of \$100,000. The name of Carey & Co. is not excelled for character and financial integrity.

Richard Delafield, chairman of the board of directors, is John H. Fulton, president of the National Park Bank of New York, are stockholders in Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc. Mr. Delafield was president of the Park Bank many years before he retired to become chairman of directors, when he was succeeded by Mr. Fulton. The National Park Bank is one of the strongest institutions in New York's financial district. The identity of such men as Mr. Delafield and Mr. Fulton with any enterprise could fail to inspire confidence in its fundamental soundness and prospective success.

Dillon-Read & Company, investment bankers in New York, are stockholders in Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc. This firm enjoys a reputation of international scope, because of its wide operations in major finance. This firm refinanced the Dodge Brothers automobile company and was much in the public prints again when the firm acquired control of the National Trust Register Company.

Of greater immediate concern to Florida investors, however, was the participation of Dillon-Read & Company in financing the construction of the Seaboard Air Line extensions in this state. This might be cited as evidence that these New York bankers are neither uninformed nor misinformed as to Florida values and conditions.

Fisher & Co., Inc., of Detroit, are stockholders in Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc. This company manufactures the famous Fisher bodies which are used on all automobiles manufactured by General Motors. The Fisher company constantly produces stylish carriage bodies long before the day of automobiles, and thus, for many years have occupied the top position in the particular line. The name of "Fisher" is synonymous with quality and it carries a like significance to any enterprise with which it is associated.

W. M. Thompson, of New York, in charge of real estate interests of the Dillon-Read & Company, and Westmore Wilcox, Jr., of Boston, a member of the firm in charge of the Boston office, are stockholders in Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc. Delancy Nicoll, Jr., of New York, is stockholders, and the latter is a director of Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc. The senior Nicoll, formerly was district attorney of New York, and for many years was Henry M. Flagler's personal legal counsel.

### GROUP OF CAPITALISTS FROM THE NORTH JOIN MIAMI MEN

### BACK THEIR FAITH IN MUCK SOILS

### GIVE MORAL AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO FARM ENTERPRISE

This contact gave Mr. Nicoll an intimate knowledge of Florida and inspired within him an abiding faith in its future. Both he and the junior Nicoll have achieved fame and fortune at the bar. The latter now is attorney for the Ford Motor Company.

A. M. Eversole of Miami and New York, is a stockholder and a director of Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc. Mr. Eversole is a Florida enthusiast. His property holdings are extensive and he is active in numerous development enterprises.

Among other well known financiers who own stock in Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc., are:

E. N. Dickerson, of New York, capitalist and retired attorney who holds the control of numerous large industries, and otherwise is prominent in finance and industry.

Whitney Company, of New York, owned by Henry Marsh, head of Marsh & McClellan, probably the largest insurance brokers in the world.

William Gilmore, of New York, capitalist and insurance broker.

C. F. Stone, of New York, capitalist.

Jackson & Curtiss, of New York, capitalist.

F. B. Keach, of New York, capitalist.

Florida Muck Farms, Inc., is the style of the organization which will direct this mammoth development, and sell the land owned by Florida Lake Shore Farms, Inc. Mr. Jeffries, who is vice president and general manager of the land owning corporation, is president of Florida Muck Farms, Inc., and has selected a corps of assistants who will be engaged with him in this, his supreme undertaking. The main office is a suite on the second floor of the Greater Miami building, 204 North Second Avenue.

James C. Caffrey is vice president and sales manager and E. O. Patterson is assistant sales manager. Both Mr. Caffrey and Mr. Patterson represent the Miami Shores organization with a wealth of valuable experience and records of unusual performance. From the first they demonstrated their abilities by enviable sales records, and though they were in the rank of a small army of other salesmen, their executive and administrative capacities were quickly recognized by Mr. Jeffries, who seized the first opportunity to advance them by increasing the scope of their work and responsibilities.

Before coming to Florida Mr. Caffrey was a successful lawyer, and had been connected with important real estate developments in the north. At one time he was in charge of a most important legal branch of the government. In New Jersey he was owner and operator of a large dairy farm.

Mr. Patterson gained recognition as an organizer and executive while connected with the Hudson Motor Car Company as district sales manager, over a period of twelve years.

C. F. Werner, who has been secretary and treasurer of the Palm Beach drainage and highway district since its organization, is secretary and treasurer of Florida Muck Farms, Inc. Mr. Werner came to Florida

from Colorado, where he directed the operations of a large farm. He knows every section, and almost every acre of the lands in this district. Not only is he familiar with the location, but he is versed in values, and conditions, as probably no one else is.

To assist these executives, Mr. Jeffries has called to counsel a number of men who are thoroughly familiar with the muck lands of the upper Everglades.

J. E. Scullen, who for many years has been associated with land companies in the muck districts and has the reputation of knowing every foot of these lands, is a member of the staff, whose personal experience will be of great value to those desiring information.

H. H. Hart is another member of the organization who will work out of the main office. He came to Miami in 1913 from California and invested in the upper Everglades, where he lives and conducts one of the largest plantations in that district. He is a valuable acquisition to the organization, because he is a successful farmer and has intimate knowledge of lands in New York, California and other states, as well as Florida, and his enthusiasm for the possibilities of this development is unbounded. He owns several thousand acres of muck land and has traveled every section of the Everglades and traversed every mile of the entire drainage system. The information he possesses concerning these lands and the cultivation of them is practical and exceptional.

He was brought up on a farm in central New York, and went to California in 1889. He operated a lemon grove, planted a large walnut orchard and ran a truck farm, at Santa Barbara. In 1903 he operated a fig orchard and a truck and berry farm at Long Beach. But he has found his greatest health, happiness and prosperity in the Everglades, and here he intends to remain.

J. H. Reese, who will direct the advertising, has followed the drainage enterprise since it was started by Governor Broward. He supported Broward's efforts when drainage was a political issue, and has stood by since it became an established policy. He has often expressed the belief that the development of this section would bring Florida to the fore as a leading agricultural state. The widespread interest in this region was proved recently by the response accorded an article on the Everglades which Mr. Reese contributed to the Hollywood Magazine. It was widely copied and a leading metropolitan paper used the material in a highly favorable treatment of the subject.

The lands to be developed verge upon the south shores of Lake Okeechobee and extend by alternate sections for a distance of more than twenty miles south of the lake.

Drainage is at the crest and in the heart of the Everglades, and lies within the Palm Beach drainage and highway district, which was established by the legislature approved June 10, 1919. Mr. Jeffries organized this district and urged the necessity of a supplementary water-control system, subdivided in units in such a way as to

emancipate the land from any menace of flood or drought. Here the elevation is 10 feet above sea level, and the depth of the muck is from 8 to 12 feet. In some places it is much deeper.

Even as this territory received the greater burden of the sedimentary deposits which were washed upon it by the waters of the lake for a period which is quite beyond the computations of man, so was it the first to receive the benefits of the drainage operations which have been in progress for more than twenty years. For that length of time this land has been in a status of reclamation, undergoing the decomposing and sweetening processes which have enhanced its productive value by rendering available its extremely high content of nitrogen, which is the most precious element necessary to productive plant life.

Mr. Jeffries was chosen chairman of supervisors and has been in the district since the district was organized nearly seven years ago. Serving with him, as associate supervisors, are T. T. Reese, president of the Farmers Bank & Trust Company, of West Palm Beach, and Dr. J. L. Holmberg, of Miami, a large property owner in the district, and one who has been interested in Everglades holdings for many years.

The control system comprises cross-section canals at three mile intervals, from 24 to 30 feet wide by approximately 10 feet deep, connecting with the main drainage canals. These major waterways of the sub-district, are in turn supplemented by eight foot lateral ditches at half mile intervals, an open waterway abutting each farm, rendering water available for sub-irrigation at any time it might be needed. Control is centered in power stations scientifically located, each equipped with a battery of 54-inch pumps driven by 180 horsepower Diesel engines. Each pump has a capacity of 56,000 gallons every minute, and by the end of the current year eleven will have been installed in four drainage units embracing 32,000 acres. The system also provides for the construction of dikes and levees, to make it impossible for the land to be flooded from adjacent territory, thus establishing the most thorough and complete works for the reclamation of land known to engineering science.

Much of this task has been accomplished, and many thousands of acres will be ready for the activity of the farmer next season. The contract is being executed by the George B. Hills Company, leading engineers in the south, specializing in reclamation. Mr. Hills formerly was associated with Isham Randolph, who made the first comprehensive and workable survey of the Everglades, and by reason of his experience and ability is in all respects a worthy successor of that distinguished and capable engineer.

The capable engineer is ably assisted by Homer G. Shockley, the resident engineer, who has had much experience in this class of construction. The value of land is measured by the income it produces, which applies to all income producing property. To the wheat

### Muck At South End Of Lake Is Deep and Remarkably Fertile

### DIKES AND PUMPS CONTROL WATER

### Located In Area Containing Largest Avocado Grove in World

farmer of the west, and the cotton farmer of the south, who spend a whole year making and marketing a single crop, the opportunity to earn a greater return on ten or twenty acres of muck soil than can be produced on a large plantation in other states, is one which can hardly fail to have a strong appeal. If the wheat farmer makes a hundred dollars an acre he is fortunate, and if the cotton farmer receives the half of this amount in return for his crop, he is regarded with envy by his neighbors. The farmer of Florida muck soil has at least a three to one advantage over his brother farmers in other states. If one crop fails he can grow another, and another. There is no end to the growing seasons, and always he has a market. There have been times when prices were not profitable, but such periods have been of brief duration and usually were due to unwise marketing, and not to lack of demand.

In Palm Beach county, where Florida Muck Farms are situated, the average crop return is much higher than the state averages, and Florida averages are higher than those of other states. The figures here quoted are taken from the report of the Florida Commissioner of Agriculture and carry the weight of official authority. Being averages, they include the thinnest lands and the poorest crops, as well as the richest lands and the most bountiful crops. But it was the high value of the crops from muck soil which raised the figures to such an unusual level: Irish potatoes \$400 to the acre; lima beans \$287, snap beans \$244, lima beans \$416, peppers \$697, English peas \$250, egg plants \$300, celery \$800.

During the past five years Florida's farm population increased 14 per cent, but the percentage of increase in the cities was very much greater. It is confidently predicted that Miami will have a population of between 500,000 and 1,000,000 in a few years. This challenges the credulity of many, "but to those who live in this hustling and busy city, and to the visitor who attempts to thread his way through its crowded thoroughfares, the prophecy is readily accepted as being entirely within the limits of realization. Fort Lauderdale, the Palm Beaches and all the towns on the east coast; Tampa and Fort Myers and all the towns on the Gulf coast; Jacksonville, the gateway to Ocala, Sanford, Orlando, Lakeland and all the towns of interior Florida are growing with such strides that it does not require the vision of a seer to see that all this great tide of

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## BIG DREDGE MOVES TO MAKE FILL AT PORT MAYACA

Tuscauilla Goes Into  
St. Lucie Canal At  
East-End Lock

SITE OF HOTEL IS  
TO BE ELEVATED

No Low Ground In Any  
Part Of New City In  
Martin County

PORT MAYACA, Jan. 20.—Captain Lill brought the 10-inch suction dredge Tuscauilla to St. Lucie lock No. 2 yesterday and was met this morning by C. H. Ruggles, chief engineer of the Mayaca Company, and Captain Virgil Olsen, superintendent of dredging operations. The dredge had gone through the county bridge at Palm City Sunday morning. Having seen the dredge reach the lock at the east end of the canal, Mr. Ruggles turned over to Superintendent D. H. James the job of seeing that it was moved up the canal to Port Mayaca. "It is estimated today that it will take two days for the dredge to go through the by-pass between the lock and the spillway. The lock chamber is 30 feet wide and the dredge is a bit more than 21 feet, hence the use of the by-pass. The lock tender and the captain of the state dredge Culebra, working in the canal, have orders from Assistant Engineer Glenn V. Scott to render every aid that will assist in getting the Tuscauilla to the location near lock No. 1 at Lake Okeechobee where it will work.

The Tuscauilla will make a fill on a quarter of a mile of lake front south of St. Lucie canal at a point at which George M. Osborn of the Mayaca Company will erect a fine residence house. It will then back into lagoon No. 1 and make a fill that will bring the land between the F. E. C. railroad and the lake front ridge to elevation 22 and a half feet above sea level. This will bring all of the land in the half mile distance to a uniform grade between the lake and the railroad.

The Campbell & Eastman dinner dredge is in lagoon No. 1, throwing up the grade behind which the Tuscauilla will pump its sand from the lake front. Lagoon No. 2 will then be started; it will be south of No. 1.

Of the three golf courses that are to be built the first will be an 18-hole course on the prairie adjacent to the flatwoods. The double 18-hole course will be on the muck land.

The first big hotel will be on lagoon No. 1; this is a reason the Tuscauilla is starting work in that locality. The largest hotel is to be north of the canal and adjacent to the 36-hole golf course.

A saw mill is being established on the C. H. Ruggles land on the north side of St. Lucie canal between the lake and Indian town ferry. The lumber cut there will be used in the construction of camp buildings.

Ninety carpenters and laborers are employed on the first stage of the construction work of this new town. The force will be increased when the camp buildings are completed and accommodations are thus provided.

Lon Adams, the Canal Point barber, has made arrangements to open a shop and spend three days a week here. With the luxury of a barber shop provided, the next thing to come is a radio.

### CULEBRA WESTWARD

The district drainage board dredge Culebra, a 12-inch suction dredge, is working in St. Lucie canal at a point a little more than a mile west of the Seaboard railroad bridge. The Arundel Corporation dredge, E. P. Clarke is still east of Indian town ferry.

### INDIANTOWN ORANGES

Trucks heavily laden are moving oranges and grapefruit from groves on the north side of St. Lucie canal to the east coast. This is the choicest citrus section in Florida and a large acreage will be put in when the

\$731.50 PAID IN NEW YORK  
FOR 77 HAMPERS BEANS

CLEWISTON, Jan. 20.—Sixty hampers of English peas grown by J. G. Barstow on his farm at South Bay and shipped through here brought \$6.50 a hamper when sold in New York Friday by John Nix Company, the commission merchants to whom they were consigned.

A. M. Webster, a grower at Chosen, got \$9.50 per hamper for 77 hampers of beans sold in New York Monday by the Robert Cochran Company.

## LAY OFF OF BEANS; PLANT TOMATOES AND POTATOES

Vegetation With Vines  
Offered As Truck  
ers' Best Bet

MARKETS PROMISE  
THIS BEST COURSE

Tomatoes and Potatoes  
Best Adapted To  
Probable Weather

On the basis of price variation in other years, potatoes probably will be at higher price in April and May than at any other time of the year, due to short spring crops in Florida and Gulf states following a short crop in the north last fall. The only way of compensating for the marked deficiency in the north was for a heavy crop to be made in the southern states; cold in the Gulf states makes it certain that the spring crop in that region will not even be up to normal. The highest priced potatoes in history is the forecast for the early summer.

A somewhat similar condition exists as to tomatoes. Dade county is out of the business, for rust has appeared there earlier than usual and the crop was not more than one-fourth of normal to begin with. Manatee county will have less than the usual production.

Growers of tomatoes and potatoes in the Everglades probably will make more money than will bean growers. Following the frosts that wiped out all of the beans in all parts of the lake region, everybody is planting beans. This crop has to run the hazard of a frost in February and bad winds in March.

It is not too late for either tomatoes or potatoes. Tomatoes set in early March last year made fruit that was sold in May.

If the spring is cold, good potatoes can be made as late as May. Potatoes is a 90-day crop. Seed planted in latter January will have February, March and April to grow in and will be harvested before the summer crop comes in elsewhere.

Growers who will use hot beds and cold frames for tomatoes are sure to make a killing. An authority on tomatoes gives good advice:

"Hotbeds and cold frames contribute much more toward success of the crop by insuring quick and rapid growth of the plant, while outdoor conditions favor only slow germination and slow growth."

"Tomato seed planted in the open may germinate and may be comparatively safe from frost, but there is no questioning the fact that the cold, wet ground tends to make the young plants sickly and weak and more subject to the ravages of insects and diseases. Beating rains on young tomato plants exposed to the elements certainly do them no good."

"It only stands to reason that if a small weak tomato plant is safe from frost, a large, strong plant, properly hardened off in a cold frame will be equally safe. When the weather has become sufficiently warm to insure rapid growth, the plant started in the hotbed and hardened off in the cold frame will have at least two or three weeks advantage in growth."

"Transplanting from the cold frame into the field by the most approved methods will cause practically no setback."

highway is extended from Stuart to Okeechobee.

## History In The Making

All Roads Lead To Stuart  
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## THE EVERGLADES NEWS

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### LYING BAD BUSINESS

If we get it right, question came up at Tampa lately about whether the facts as to sanitary conditions should be confessed and corrected or concealed and continued. The Kiwanis Club and some other agencies objected to publicity—and thereby made the matter worse, for it led to more talk and more of the very thing the Kiwanis Club objected to.

It's funny that a slogan like "The truth about Florida is good enough" is an acceptable policy when things are running smoothly but is rejected as policy when things go wrong. It takes an incident like this at Tampa to expose the smug by-pocries. The fine thing is that the policy of truth is winning out.

There are towns in Florida that are dirtier than towns in Old Mexico, with sanitary arrangements as primitive as those in the villages of barbarians. This condition is due to only one cause and that is the attitude of the residents. The residents have had planning time to change the conditions, but they haven't changed them; proves that they will not change until the contempt of another class of people forces them to it.

Florida's progress was held up for many years by outbreaks of yellow fever, and yellow fever was tolerated because residents of Florida tolerated the policy of concealment and shopworn quarantines instead of the policy of publicity and cleanliness. After the experiences with yellow fever, to put the health and prosperity of Florida at the mercy of unclean liars would be an outrage, but it is not going to be permitted.

### THE GLADES AND BABSON

As related by Le Sage, when the barber of Seville was leaving his native town to "go on the road" at the end of his apprenticeship and become a journeyman he was given some advice. "Talk, talk a great deal, talk all the time," a wise man told him. "You will say many foolish things but if you talk enough you will also say some wise things." People will remember your wise and witty remarks and forget your foolish ones; you will attain a reputation for wit and wisdom and even your foolish remarks will be accepted as wisdom or wit.

A few weeks ago there was issued as a product of the Babson Statistical Organization a bulletin that had neither the polish stuff in it. The bulletin made out that neither the east coast of Florida or the west coast was any good, nor the Everglades; the only region commended was the "ridge" section, where Mr. Roger W. Babson and associates own land.

The bulletin was brought to the attention of a man who knows South Florida better than any other man and his advice was asked. He advised that no attention be paid to the Babson bulletin. "Any one who writes as much as Mr. Babson does is very likely to say some foolish things," he wrote. This was a reversal of the advice to the barber of Seville.

When the record was checked up it was found that Mr. Babson had said some very complimentary things about the Everglades a few years ago.

When the subject was taken up with the Babson Statistical Organization a member of the staff visited Canal Point, accepting the invitation of the editor of The Everglades News to see the country and get first hand information. Promise was made that a report on the Everglades would be prepared. If it was prepared we have not seen it.

Now we read in the "Estero Eagle" that in "one of the January bulletins" the Babson Organization repeats statements derogatory to the coasts and the Everglades and boosts the particular area in which he has a real estate development.

Now that the subject has been broached in Florida newspapers it may be well to let it rest at this. There will be time to take it up again if need be.

## NEW TOWN ON MIAMI CANAL

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people will create a market for food crops that the question of feeding and housing the people has become a serious problem. Miami had a building record of \$100,000,000 in 1924. Thousands of residences, hotels and apartments were erected but there is still a housing shortage, and every available eating place is crowded at all hours. And what is true of Miami in this respect is true also in a relative sense to every city, town and hamlet in Florida.

Even in the past Florida has failed to produce enough food to meet the demand of its local consumption. During the past year \$31,125,000 worth of dairy products were consumed in Florida and only \$7,080,819 were produced. The amount of poultry consumed was \$11,250,000, and only \$3,750,000 was produced. The amount of eggs consumed was \$9,000,000, while only half of that amount was produced. The total value of meats, dairy products, poultry, grain, feeds, bread, canned goods, fruits and vegetables consumed in Florida and not produced in this state is approximately \$100,623,070 a year.

This is a fair margin for the Florida farmer to work to and to illustrate the need for largely increased farm production. It will not be necessary to ship out of the state to find a market, but just here is another advantage that the Florida farmer has over the farmers of other states. Florida has famous, and when the rest of the country is in the clutches of winter, Florida experiences its most productive season. Not only is there a home market, but the world is hungry for the Florida produce and with this demand growing and insistent there is no chance of over production.

The Florida farmer does not find it necessary to build expensive houses or barns; he doesn't have to buy coal or heavy clothing, nor does he suffer the many ills that attend severe winters. Considering the saving that he makes in these particulars along with the abundant production of the soil, plus the high prices for his produce, the Florida farmer is indeed the most favored of his class. These advantages are shared by practically all Florida farmers, but the farmer of Florida muck soil enjoys all these immunities and others besides. Florida Muck Farms require no fertilizers. This is the particular advantage of this particular region. In addition to this, the soil contains phosphorus, which the favorable location of these farms possess that are both unusual and delightful. The muck soil of Lake Okechobee analyzes more than sixty pounds of nitrogen to the ton, which accounts for its superlative richness. Nitrogen is the most expensive ingredient used in the manufacture of commercial fertilizers, and this the soil contains naturally and in such quantities as to be almost inexhaustible.

Lake Okechobee is a source of protection at all seasons. Its wide expanse of water cools the summer air and tempers the winter chill. The Florida panhandle is only about 100 miles wide, and is swept from the west by the winds of the Gulf and from the east and south by those that are wafted in from the ocean and the straits. The great Gulf Stream hugs its eastern shores and is a blessing in the winter. The climate of the Everglades is, in fact, the most equable in Florida. In summer it is noticeably cooler than on the coast, and in winter it is warmer.

"Lake Harbor" is the name of the townsite in Florida which is to be developed as the outstanding feature of the general plan. Already a small little community exists there, a new hotel with all the usual accommodations is nearing completion. Lake Harbor will be not only the marketing and shipping point, but it will be the social and civic center as well.

Lake Harbor stands at the head of the Miami canal, and is midway between West Palm Beach and Fort Myers on the cross-state highway. The plan of the town was laid out by Philip Foster, a professional recognized ability in that work, and provides for the erection of all necessary buildings, the establishing of schools, recreation grounds and the well ordered disposal of the many features of a modern city.

In the course of a short time Lake Harbor will be connected from the east and the west by railroad lines, which will afford transportation facilities for the expedient shipment of perishable freights, which will form a large portion of the tonnage from this section. Being located on the shores of the lake it logically will be a distributing center.

Many boats ply the waters of the lake and affords the waterway and tributary shipping conveniences for the growers whose farms are located along the lake shores and the water.

Situated within a radius of a few miles from Lake Harbor are the towns of Moore Haven, Belle Glade and Okeelanta; all of which are flourishing and growing, each having its community of people, and well served in the numerous ways that go to make life pleasant and enjoyable. The soil, the climate, the district average higher than rural communities generally. There are numerous retired professionals and men who have been attracted here to find rejuvenation and recreation, and at the same time fortify the family exchequer by utilizing this wonderfully fertile soil. Many progressive farmers from other states have located here and are using the most up-to-date methods in the cultivation of their farms. Good roads have brought ice, bread and grocery service to the farmer. The great isolation of the country is not known here.

As an example of how very unusual life is in the Everglades, the district that is located a few days from an incident which could hardly have occurred in any other farming country anywhere, unless it were Australia. This farmer owns a large plantation and has a crop of sugarcane. The cropper is a sturdy type of the New England farmer who recently came to the Everglades and already has made good. He has eight sons, and all take an earnest and cheerful interest in their new freedom from the rigors of the New England climate and the grinding toil which is the common lot in that part of the country.

A few nights ago the owner of the farm was awakened by the noise of tractors in operation. Upon making inquiry the next morning he was told that three of the boys had worked in the field all night, and this they continued to do for several nights until the task was completed. Those who live in Florida know of the glories the moonlight nights have, and it is a rare thing to hear of youngsters turning the glories of the moon to account by turning under the earth.

It is difficult to state the possibilities of this soil in terms which do not smack of exaggeration. From three to five crops a year can be grown upon the same land. Along in September the first crop of beans usually is planted. The crop matures in from 45 to 60 days, according to variety and a good yield is from 150 to 200 hampers to the acre. When beans sell at from \$8.50 to \$9.50 a hamper is not a perplexing problem to approximate the profits, particularly when the planter has no fertility to buy and the price frequently goes to a much higher figure than the maximum mentioned. During the past year the fall bean crop was sold in New York for \$11 a hamper.

The fall bean crop comes off by the first part of December, and the farmer may plant another crop, for midwinter beans are more profitable, as a rule, than the fall beans. Some farmers plant beans and tomatoes together, putting the tomato plants in every third row, and by the time the beans are growing well and in a short time are ready for harvesting. This double crop may be followed by corn, melons or cow peas. Peppers are regarded by some as the most profitable crop. The yield is from 500 to 800 crates

to the acre and sell at from \$3.50 to \$7 a crate. It is conservative to estimate the farmer's profits on muck soil, under a system of intensive cultivation, at \$500 an acre. Many incomes might be cited of greater profits.

The most obvious advantage of farming this land exists in the fact that crops are made without fertilizer and at small expense in the winter while other sections are frozen or suffering from untoward weather conditions.

While the returns from truck crops offer the most ready profit to the farmer, it is probable that the most extensive development of these lands will eventually be in the growing of staple crops, such as corn, cane, bananas, potatoes, dasheens, peanuts and fruits, such as citrus, avocados, papayas and berries.

Florida muck will produce from 30 to 50 tons of sugar cane to the acre. At this time there are two large sugar mills in the Everglades, representing the investment of millions of dollars, and there will be others when farming gets under way. In efficient numbers and engage in the cultivation of this valuable crop. From one plant, cane rationed for a number of years, reaching mature production the second year. The expense of cultivation is small, and as far as the cane crop is concerned, the planter need not spend more than two months a year on his farm. A dependable return upon the basis of production stated would be from \$120 to \$200 an acre.

Bananas offer profitable returns upon a comparatively small investment of time and money. The banana plant reproduces itself very much as cane does, and experiments have proved that it can be made a commercial success in the upper Everglades.

The avocado is another food crop for the high food content of this tropical fruit qualifies it to be classed among food plants, which offers a tempting opportunity to the farmer of muck soil. One planter in the Everglades has 22,000 growing trees and 15,000 others in nurseries ready for setting. A single tree has been known to produce 1700 fruits, and this fruit of good quality sells readily from 50 cents each and upward. The large avocado grove mentioned is but one of the many heavy investments that have been made in the Everglades, demonstrating the faith that well informed men of means have in the region and the climate of this region.

The variety of crops possible to be grown on Florida muck is practically without limit. More seems there is nothing that will not grow more readily and prosperously here than anywhere else with the exception only of such plants as require a colder climate.

### 9 CARS BEANS ROLLED

CLEWISTON, Jan. 18.—Although the frost has held up shipments, nine cars of beans were rolled here. On the first of January, says A. Peterson, a South Bay grower, who makes Clewiston his headquarters.

### MULES? YES, LONG AGO

RITTA, Jan. 20.—Mules were used on this side of the lake as early as 1811 or 12 years ago, long before they were used on East Beach, say old residents who read in The Everglades News last week an item about mules that are to be shipped to Pahokee. Klank Kink is credited with being the first man to bring in mules.

### 'Pollyanna' New Name On Excursion Boat

CLEWISTON, Fla., Jan. 19.—Pollyanna III is the name painted on the bow of the boat that was long known as the Constellation. The Constellation was built at Daytona by McCoy Brothers, who ran it as an excursion boat on the canal between St. Augustine and Palm Beach. Later it was used on Lake Okechobee by the National Farmers Eastern Development Company. Moore Haven. The boat has been rehabilitated and is furnished with state-of-the-art of fine appearance. Pollyanna is the name of the daughter of Isaac T. Cook of St. Louis, a director in the Clewiston development corporation.

## IN LIEU OF GOLF

The Editor's Own Column

Here's the second chapter of the thrilling story of Fred J. Taylor's experiences as a trucker in partnership with the editor of The Everglades News. It was related last week that we had five acres of ground at Canal Point, planted three acres to potatoes and two acres to beans, with some eggplants in the bean rows. We were sitting pretty, with the finest patch of potatoes in the state—in the United States, for that matter, and Refugee beans that promised fine things. Then came the first frost.

We were reconciled to losing the beans but we hated to lose the potatoes—the potatoes with the vines so high that Fred kept cutting the top out of his Ford coupe raising his hand to show their height. Several persons told us the potatoes could be saved by cutting off the tops. I didn't say anything about it. Then the second frost came. Besides cutting the potatoes, the frost raised the ink in the press fountain when we were a day late in printing the newspaper: the ink got on the rollers, and the lint filled in the spaces and made the printed page look like a picture of a black man chasing a black cat in a dark room. You know how it is. And when things were in that shape Fred said, "Come in and ask me. I didn't think it would be a good plan to have the tops cut off of the potatoes. He said he thought it would be a good idea. So I said yes I thought it would be a good idea. And then he told me he had already had it done. The paper was a day late and I didn't have time to go out and put the tops back on, even if they should not have been cut.

But I didn't think cutting the tops off a good plan. I wouldn't advise cutting off a man's legs. The paper was a day late and I didn't have time to go out and put the tops back on, even if they should not have been cut.

One hundred and five men were entombed in the Degnan-McConnell mine at Wilburton, Okla., when it was blown up by an explosion that wrecked the main shaft and closed the outlet. Some men were rescued; many will die. Some thirty years ago, on a Sunday morning, the 13th day of the month, 13 men were him. They were caught in an explosion at the Degnan & McConnell mine at Wilburton, then Indian Territory, Choctaw Nation. I was sent there by a newspaper editor to write the story of the disaster. The third day after the mine was reopened. On that third day I met a miner with his dinner pail going to the mine to go to work. One of the 13 dead men was his brother. "What are you going to work there?" I exclaimed. "What do you think I am—a farmer?" he said as he passed without pause. "I got him. He had to work; he was a miner, not a farmer, so he worked at his trade. So with all of us, we must work, and we live on our destiny. Frost kills bean crops, and the farmer replants. Live men follow dead men into mines and the world's work gets on.

### PHONE CREW CAMPS

BELLE GLADE, Jan. 20.—Southern Bell Telephone Company crew is still working in this locality, stringing wires. The crew has a camp at Belle Glade. It is understood the line will be rebuilt to Pahokee as soon as the right of way on the nearby road is cleared from obstruction or interference by the road-making contractors.

## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

I will be at the following precincts for the purpose of receiving Tax Returns for the year 1925. I respectfully urge all Taxpayers to meet me at my different appointments and make their returns.

Jupiter, Florida, precinct No. 6, Monday, February 4, 1926.  
Kelsey City, Florida, precinct No. 8, Tuesday, February 2, 1926.  
Riviera, Florida, precinct No. 34, Thursday, February 4, 1926.  
Belle Glade, Florida, precinct No. 32, Friday, February 5, 1926.  
Chosen, Florida, precinct No. 33, Friday, February 5, 1926.  
Lake Worth, Florida, precincts 21 and 22, Monday, February 8, 1926.  
Boynton, Florida, precinct No. 23, Tuesday, February 9, 1926.  
Delray, Florida, precincts No. 24 and 25, Wednesday, February 10, 1926.  
Boca Raton, Florida, precinct No. 26, Friday, February 12, 1926.  
Pahokee, Florida, precinct No. 30, Tuesday, February 16, 1926.  
Canal Point, Florida, precinct No. 31, Tuesday, February 16, 1926.  
Kith, Florida, precinct No. 28, Friday, February 19, 1926.  
South Bay, Florida, precinct No. 29, Friday, February 19, 1926.  
Okeelanta, Florida, precinct No. 27, Friday, February 19, 1926.  
Palm Beach, Florida, precinct No. 17, Saturday, February 20, 1926.  
West Palm Beach, Florida, precincts No. 9 to 16, 18 to 20, and 35 to 38 inclusive, February 22 to February 27, both inclusive, 1926.

All Taxpayers desiring to meet me at the different appointments can make their return by calling at my office in the courthouse at West Palm Beach, Florida, at any time prior to April 1st, 1926.

Jas. M. Owens, Jr.,  
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## Port Mayaca Bus Gives Service Between Coast and Lake



A bus service between towns on the eastern shore of Lake Okeechobee and West Palm Beach has been established by the Mayaca Company and on its schedule residents of Canal Point can go to the county seat and return the same day.

The bus leaves Port Mayaca, the new town on St. Lucie canal at the lake, at 8:30 each morning except Sunday, arrives at Canal Point at 9 o'clock and at West Palm Beach at 11:30. On the return trip it leaves West Palm Beach at 3 o'clock and arrives at Canal Point at 5:30 and at Port Mayaca at 6:30.

Passengers are carried between intermediate points as well as on the through trips.

Additional buses of large capacity will be put into service as the traffic demands. The first bus is a 15-passenger White, painted dark gray with blue trimmings and marked with the Port Mayaca pennant.

While many motorists are known to make the trip between West Palm Beach and Port Mayaca in an hour and a half, the running time of the Port Mayaca bus line is scheduled at three hours, permitting passengers an opportunity to view the country.

The complete schedule of the new bus line follows:

SCHEDULE	
Leave: Port Mayaca	8:30 AM
Canal Point	9:40 AM
20-Mile Bend	10:40 AM
Ind. City	11:30 AM
Lox. Farms	12:30 PM
Arrive: West Palm Beach	1:30 PM
Leave: West Palm Beach	3:40 PM
Ind. City	4:40 PM
Lox. Farms	5:40 PM
20-Mile Bend	6:40 PM
Canal Point	7:30 PM
Arrive: Port Mayaca	8:30 PM

heavy in proportion to the plowed area because bean seed have not been available there in the quantity that was

wanted. The Moore Haven house of the Kilgore Seed Company sent back the checks of some customers who or-

dered and said the brinich house there was out of seed. A total of 25 sacks of seed came to Canal Point by mail.

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### CANAL POINT

Mrs. W. A. Sphaler and Mrs. Lewis Edgman assisted Mrs. Fultz in serving.

Captain Clay Johnson took his steamboat, the Osceola, out of the harbor Wednesday morning, to go to St. Lucie canal and thence to east-end lock and help the dredge Tuscanilla up the canal to Port Mayaca.

John S. Gray brought in his boat, the Bernice, Sunday. The boat had been on the ways at Okeechobee being refitted to haul vegetables from the south end of the lake to the F. E. C. railroad at Canal Point.

Samples of the juice of sugar canes the U. S. Department of Agriculture's cane-testing station at Canal Point were taken this week and sent to Washington for testing. The samples were taken by H. B. Cowgill, who came here last week. The canes were ground in a small mill that has been here for some time and has been used for the purpose several times before.

Alta Jane Fultz, celebrated her ninth birthday Wednesday, the 20th. Those present were Dorothy Griffin, Lester and Kyle Hand, Elizabeth Brigham, Aline Murphy, Barbara Baker, Thurman Reed, Dwight Edgman, Margaret and Rudine Sherrod and Katherine Fritzie. Games were played and cake and punch were served.

### M. E. CHURCH NEWS

Sunday school, 10 a. m.  
Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor.

The pastor and family will leave next Wednesday for Belle Glade and will preach there the same night at 7:30 p. m. He will then go to South Bay to start a revival service Sunday, January 31.

Wm. Jesse Thomas, Pastor.

### BEAN SHIPMENTS

One hundred and forty-three hampers of beans were shipped by express Saturday and 93 hampers on Sunday.

Mr. Cherry brought in by boat Thursday 75 hampers of beans grown on Torrey Island. These were picked after the frost, of last week.

Turner & Gann are shipping peppers and potatoes from their dried land on Kraemer Island. Tomato shipments will start within a month. The present shipments are going by way of Clewiston. The other crops will move via F. E. C. on Gray's boat Bernice.

### CHIEF ENGINEER

F. C. Elliot of Tallahassee, chief engineer of Everglades district, and Glen V. Scott of West Palm Beach, assistant, left for Canal Point this morning in boat No. 7, en route to Clewiston. They will go to Moore Haven and inspect the lock. Mr. Elliot gave authority to Lockwood Simmons to use electric lights on the lock.

### BIG EDITION

Six thousand, five hundred and twenty-five copies of this issue of The Everglades News are being printed.

### CARD OF THANKS

We tender our grateful thanks to the friends who gave aid and sympathy on the occasion of the death of our son and brother Andrew.

STEPHEN SOLICK AND FAMILY.

### ROAD SITUATION

No work has been done in the past week on the Canal Point-Pahokee road, over the route of which there is controversy. Nothing has been heard from the lawyers of the complainants who want the road on the lake front.

Trial of the injunction suit is expected when a date is set.

### \$15,000 Beans Sold

From 60 Acre Field

SOUTH BAY, Fla., Jan. 18.—Sales of snap beans from 60 acres of land in section 13 totaled \$15,000, R. G. Fisher reports. The land is owned by C. Wayne Ward of Orlando and Mr. Fisher manages it. An avocado grove is well established on the land. Mrs. Fisher has some of the prettiest roses that are to be seen in the community.

### ANDREW SOLICK DROWNED

Andrew Solick, aged 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Solick, was drowned Sunday morning in West Palm Beach canal eight miles east of Canal Point, when the Chevrolet sedan he was riding in ran into the canal with its five occupants. His brothers, John, Steve, Frank and Patrick, got out of the car after it was submerged in the canal and saved themselves by swimming. Andrew was the only one of the five who could not swim. The time it took his brothers to extricate themselves from the closed car under water and their exhaustion prevented them from aiding him.

The five brothers left Canal Point about 8:30 o'clock Sunday morning to go to church at West Palm Beach. Frank was driving and two of the boys were on the front seat with him. The survivors do not know whether a tire was punctured or the steering mechanism failed; they say they only had time to notice that the car was off of the highway and was running toward the canal, a distance of 50 feet, and they expected the car to stop before it went into the canal.

The body was recovered four hours later about 50 feet from where the car sank and was taken to West Palm Beach. The car was milled out. The funeral was held at West Palm Beach Tuesday.

The Solick family came to Canal Point from Levittown, Pa., several years ago and established a good farm.

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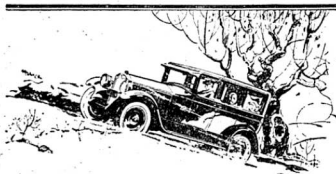
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## SHAPING UP PLANS ON ROAD BUILDING

Russell Smith Turns Job Over To Another Member of Clewiston Company Staff

CLEWISTON, Fla., Jan. 19.—Execution of the contract for building the 17 miles of district No. 11 road in Palm Beach county from Belle Glade to the west line of the county has been transferred by Russell B. Smith of Jacksonville to P. L. Williamson of this place, it was reported here today. Mr. Smith is connected with the Clewiston enterprise and he took the contract as a matter of insuring the construction of this link in the Palm Beach-Port Myers boulevard. Mr. Williamson is an officer of one of the Clewiston companies. The trail along the lake and through the muck between South Bay and Clewiston is sometimes in condition for cars to come through it but it is not dependable. There is confident belief that a good road will be completed within a year.

A. E. Millington, formerly of New Orleans, is the assistant general manager of Clewiston Limited. He was with the Colotex Company at New Orleans. B. G. Dahlberg, president of the latter company, is largely interested here.

Classic beauty is in the lines of the structure on the lake front that will house the filtration plant. Lake Okeechobee water, the domestic supply, is a pure and palatable water and the filtration plant will remove all trace of coloring.

Dr. Miller, an osteopath who practiced in St. Louis for several years, has taken up residence in Clewiston. His initials are O. S., the same as the attorney at Moore Haven. Dr. Miller is associated with Captain F. Dean Duff and A. M. Archer as a member of the staff of the Clewiston sales organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott have the construction of an apartment-hotel under way. They are from Alaska.

A drag-line machine is at work at the site of the civic center.

Sidewalk construction has started but it and street paving must be held up until the storm sewers and sanitary sewers are in. When the ditches have been dug and the pipes placed, the ditches will be filled and the ground covered with sidewalks and pavement.

The dredge that was cutting the industrial canal has been transferred for a time to some work that is part of the construction of a section of a main road.

Part of the furniture has been placed in the hotel, the building being near completion.

A meeting is to be held tonight to discuss the organization of a base ball team.

Some small houses are being constructed for temporary occupancy by buyers of homesites while their dwellings are being completed.

## OKEELANTA

OKEELANTA, Jan. 18.—E. R. Gerver has returned from Fort Lauderdale, where he was employed for the last two months, and is baching in the Madge home. At present he is suffering from an injured foot, the result of an accident while at work.

Joe Saunders, a former pioneer resident of the town, lately of Canon City, Colo., but now making his home at Lake Worth visited with his friends, the Mothersbaughs for a few days. On Sunday Joe and W. W. Roth were the dinner guests of the family, afterwards Joe departing for the coast.

The freeze of the 15th didn't hit Okeelanta and the south shore of the lake any harder than the balance of the Everglades settlements. This is the second time in nine years that ice was seen so far south of Uncle Sam's established frost line. The crop losses are a serious blow to our truckers, while the discomforts caused by this cold wave, at the time, were no luxury. It wouldn't have taken much persuasion to turn us all into sun-worshippers on the morning following the cold night.

Two South Bay cars were seen on our street Sunday afternoon.

The replanting of beans, peas and potatoes is again under way.

## BELLE GLADE

BELLE GLADE, Fla., Jan. 19.—The telephone poles, removed by a dredge along north lines of sections 5 and 6 are being replaced.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cherry who were recently married at Fort Pierce, have returned from their honeymoon trip. Mrs. Cherry was formerly Miss Alcece Stine.

H. T. Hollaway is building a residence and office building. He will have his own light and water plant and all modern conveniences.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Smith and W. H. Smith of Georgia have arrived to make their home with Mrs. Smith's uncle, H. M. Brodgen.

S. G. and Benjamin Parker, brothers of Mrs. Herbert Burton, with their families, formerly of Kansas, have located here.

S. C. Raulerson is putting an addition and other improvements on the DuChaine house, which he recently purchased.

A dredge at work on the grading of the Belle Glade-Pahokee road, is moving along rapidly.

Jas. Loti Greer and Miss Alpha Swanson stole a march on their friends by slipping away to be married. As they have not yet returned we are unable to state their future plans.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Creech, who spent the week end in Miami were accompanied home by Mrs. Roth. Creech, who will visit here till Thursday.

A meeting will be held at the school house Wednesday evening, at which County Agent Hatt and Assistant County Agent Monks will demonstrate proper methods of mixing bordeaux. C. L. Rhodes, state marketing commissioner, will also be present and talk along marketing lines.

The old community council has been merged into the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce. Among the resolutions of the new organization is one recognizing The Everglades News as their news outlet and printing medium.

## WANT ADS

Minimum per issue, 25 cents.

FOR SALE.—Ten acres, desirable apple land near Canal Point, situated on tract 16, Sec. 23, township 41, range 37. Also 50-foot lot, No. 87, facing lake, on Corners Highway, both in Lake View Colony. Address: James A. Roush, owner, 145 W. Flagler St., Miami, Fla. 413.\*

FOR SALE.—We have six or eight squares of 12-foot sheet iron; price right.—Kilgore Seed Co. 4512

FOR SALE.—Jersey cow and heifer calf. Inquire of G. C. Inlow, at Huskey place on Pahokee road. 12 \*

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has been delayed on account of difficulty in securing building material. However, Thibodeaux still insists that he will have everything completed in

## Ten Days

The burden of delay is on him and we shall continue to run this paragraph until he does complete the building.

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<b>Southbound</b>	
No. 75 All Pullman	12:40 AM
No. 85 Coaches-Sleepers	1:05 AM
No. 41 All Pullman	6:45 AM
No. 87 All Pullman	7:10 AM
No. 29 All Pullman	7:55 AM
No. 35 Coaches-Sleepers	8:15 AM
No. 71 All Pullman	8:45 AM
No. 99 Coaches-Parlor Cars	9:00 AM
No. 37 Coaches-Sleepers	10:55 AM
No. 95 All Pullman	6:05 PM
No. 33 All Pullman	6:35 PM
No. 81 Coaches-Sleepers	7:30 PM
No. 29 Coaches-Sleepers	9:45 PM
<b>Northbound</b>	
No. 88 All Pullman	1:30 AM
No. 76 All Pullman	3:30 AM
No. 86 Coaches-Sleepers	4:10 AM
No. 30 Coaches-Sleepers	7:30 AM
No. 84 Coaches-Sleepers	9:15 AM
No. 96 All Pullman	10:30 AM
No. 34 All Pullman	11:25 AM
No. 38 Coaches-Sleepers	5:55 PM
No. 36 Coaches-Sleepers	9:10 PM
No. 41 All Pullman	9:20 PM
No. 72 All Pullman	9:50 PM
No. 42 All Pullman	10:40 PM

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## Farm Talk

Howard Sharp

Indulge an old man in his vanity for a moment and let me get it out of my system at the outset: A visit to the southern and southwestern shore of Lake Okeechobee and calls at the homes of residents shows that The Everglades News is read by practically every resident there and they are satisfied and pleased with the policy of the paper. "Keep on telling the truth. Tell the truth about high water and frosts when they occur. This country is good enough that even with the occasional floods and frosts it is the best country in the world. We like your paper because we can depend on it."

Sound foundation for real estate developments and all projects in the Everglades is assured by the existence of this sentiment. There will be no conspiracy to mislead investors and settlers; the newcomers will be correctly advised of actual conditions so they can make provision for meeting all contingencies.

There was more than a frost in the Everglades last week; there was a freeze, the most severe freeze in the records of the middle Glades and recorded in the memories of the oldest inhabitants. At the moment of this writing (Tuesday night) the situation is summarized in this: There are 200 acres of cabbage in Glades county—that is the largest acreage of any other crop in the region; fifty per cent of the sugar cane in the Canal Point district was killed; of 1,000 acres of potatoes, possibly 500 acres will come through with normal yield; no beans, eggplants or peppers survived; 50 acres of English peas may come through enough to warrant letting the vines stand in the hopes of getting a picking.

No citrus was hurt; some young avocado trees were killed; some older trees were nipped. Prospect of a commercial banana industry being established in the middle Glades had a severe setback.

The cold was so severe that proximity to the lake or to canals was no protection; no heaters or smudge pots could have saved enough crops or trees to justify their use. Ice as thick as window glass formed within 25 feet of the spillway at Canal Point, where water was running from lake to canal; there was frost on the docks on the southwest side of the lake.

There had been a frost on Monday night; freezing weather reached the southwest side of the lake Wednesday and the eastern shore Thursday. The Wednesday cold came from the southeast, across the cold middle Glades.

On the trip of inspection this week I left Canal Point Monday morning, going to 20-mile bend and there turning to Okeechobee road or Belle Glade road. Spinners of crops of 10 to 15 character were green at Gladeview Farms; beans and peppers were killed and the trunks of banana plants were being cut down. Further on we saw potatoes being dug. Geerworth showed a good deal of green stuff but the stuff that sell for highest prices was done for. There was no reason to expect that vegetables of kinds that Lake Okeechobee would survive at any point in the middle Glades.

The green spots around Belle Glade proved to be peas; whether or to what extent they will pull through is too early to know. Near Okeesa a field of potatoes was being dug by Paul John, a Greek. The number of

full hamper compared to the acreage indicated that not more than the equivalent of the seed would be harvested. The grower asked \$6 a hamper for the potatoes he had dug. At Chosen I was told that ice had formed right up to the lake. No vegetable crops survived. Some of the young avocado trees looked as if they would die; older trees will survive.

Between Belle Glade and South Bay there were fields in which the young peas looked as if they might be worth picking. No living crops were seen from there on until Miss Maude Wingfield's store was reached; there was a patch of potatoes that may give a normal yield. Further west D. W. Beardsley had a patch of tomatoes that came through with slight injury; beyond that William Hooker has 10 acres of tomatoes to which the injury was small.

Of carrots, radishes, onions I take no count—the acreage is small and under best conditions the prices at which they sell are so much lower than what beans, peppers, eggplants and potatoes bring in mid-winter that they hardly count.

I stopped at Clewiston and did not go to Moore Haven. Men on whose observations and veracity I depend tell me that one acre of cabbage has been cut at Moore Haven and sold in Atlanta at \$30 a ton f. o. b. Moore Haven. This is equivalent to a ton of sugar cane. O. C. Benbow's 50 acres and "Brig" Young's 25 acres were all that my informant could give me the names of owners whose cabbage cutting was under way on one patch this week; the rest will be out in two weeks. Mr. Barbers, the deputy sheriff, has 11 acres of beans that came through without hurt.

Going on eight-years I have been making trips into the Everglades and most of them to points on the shores of Lake Okeechobee; in that period I have been on every mile of lake front except the part between Lakeport and Kissimmee river, but not until this week did I have chance to pause at the homes of settlers between Miami canal and Ritta. The trip this week gave me chance to meet M. M. Hall and J. W. Bishop and visit Judge Isaac Campbell's place and see the Champion place. It gave chance also to see Frank Lew at South Bay and D. W. Beardsley, Bill Murray and Miss Maude Wingfield at Ritta.

Captain John S. Gray of the boat Bernice and Joe Alley accompanied me from Canal Point to South Bay. At the latter place Frank Lew got Doyle McAllister to take us to Bolles Hotel on Miami canal and on to Ritta. Mr. Lew went back with Mr. McAllister and I stayed that night at Mr. Hall's, taking the Forbes line boat Maye E to Clewiston and thence home on the Palm with Captain Bryant.

**CUTTING CABBAGE**  
BELLE GLADE, Jan. 18.—Cutting of cabbage is under way by some of the growers. The acreage is small but prices are good. Most of the sales are made on the east coast, to which place the cabbage is sent by truck.

**WALKING DREDGE**  
GLADEVIEW, Jan. 19.—A dredge of the walking type, is cutting drainage ditches on the south side of Okeechobee road. Tractors are running on land a little further west, one tractor going ahead and breaking down the weeds and another following to turn the sod.

## HEATERS? NO!

Since the frosts last week the suggestion is heard that growers should use smudge pots or heaters. It is not a suggestion that I am disposed to support on the basis of present information. On the contrary I trust that the use of heaters will never become general on East Beach.

Heaters cost money—that's a thing that the advocates of their use seem to forget. They burn a fuel that is not cheap. They require attention if use is to be made of them.

My point of view may best be presented in an illustration: Heaters are like pumping plants—their utility depends on the attention given them. Last spring on a truck farm that had a pumping plant the superintendent was called away and during his absence the foreman went to a near-by town. During the absence of the superintendent and foreman a six-inch rain fell; the negroes on the place did not start the pump—did not pump the water in the fields that would have sold for several thousand dollars were lost. Things like this happen to a battery of heaters.

Another comparative instance: On the night of the recent frost a trucker and some companions went to his field and piled some wood fuel ready to be ignited if the temperature went threateningly low. Then they set around a camp fire. While they sat there, unconscious of how cold it was outside the radius of their camp fire, the peppers from stiff.

You may say that in the cases here cited the action of the men concerned was so careless as to be inexcusable. But it is a human nature for the men to do as they did, and the human fallibility element has to be taken into consideration in the operation of a battery of heaters. The manufacture of the heaters can not give a guarantee that the men who are hired to look after them will be on the job and make good use of the buyer's money.

My final argument is this: The growers as a class—that is, the community—won't make as much money if they use heaters as will be made if they do not use them. Beans won't sell for as much money if heaters are used, assuming that the heaters are a success, because more beans will be on the market. At best the heaters can only bring down the price of vegetables to the vegetable buyer; the growers will increase their production costs without increasing their incomes as a community.

## Hastings Potatoes

Potato planting at Hastings was 10 days to two weeks late on account of bad weather. The Hastings weekly newspaper reported in its issue the first week in January, adding that with better weather early in the month planters went into the fields distributing fertilizer and getting ready to plant. In the Federal Point district some planting had been done. There was freezing weather at Jacksonville, nearby, on January 13 and two-tenths of an inch of rain. This is all the news we have of Hastings.

## Turnips To Coast

Earl Lowe, son of D. O., has been taking young turnips to West Palm Beach. He sells them at a dollar per dozen bunches. There were 140 bunches in a load he took in one day last week. He says he gets from \$9 to \$16 on each trip.

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